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1. Although the areas controlled by the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) Regional Bureaus have not yet been officially published in consolidated form by overt CCP channels, items from the New China News Agency and other such sources over the last six months indicate that a reorganization of these bureaus has been taking place following a revision of the spheres of responsibility of the Chinese regional administrations. The most notable result of this reorganization has been the closing of the South China Bureau as an independent unit and its merging with the Central China Bureau into the Central and South China Bureau. There is still no mention of a Southwest Regional Bureau, but one will presumably be set up to control the same area as the recently constituted Southwest regional administration, i.e., the provinces of Szechwan, Kweichow, Yunnan, and Sikang. Sub-bureaus exist in South China and Sinkiang.

2. Details about the bureaus are as follows:

a. North China Bureau

Headquarters: presumably Peiping.

1st secretary: PO I-po (薄一波)

Area of responsibility: the district directly under the control of the central Communist Government, i.e., the provinces of Suiyuan, Shansi, Pingyuan, and Chahar. (Note: It is possible that some of this territory falls under the jurisdiction of the CCP Inner Mongolian Work Committee, which is responsible for an area whose limits have not yet been clearly defined.)

b. Northeast China Bureau

Headquarters: Mukden.

Secretary: KAO Kang (高岗). CHANG Wen-tien (張聞天), a member of the CCP Politburo, is a member of its standing committee.

Area of responsibility: the district under the control of the Northeast People's Government Commission, i.e., the whole of Manchuria.

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c. Northwest China Bureau

Secretaries: SHU Chong-ho and HSI Chung-hsun (習行勳).

Vice-secretary: MA Ming-fang (馬明芳).

Director of the Organization Department: MA Wen-jui.

Area of responsibility: the district under the control of the Northwest Military and Political Commission, i.e., the provinces of Shensi, Kansu, Chinghai, Ningsia, and Sinkiang. (A Sinkiang Sub-Bureau exists for the province of Sinkiang. Secretary-general: WANG Chen (王震). See also Note, paragraph 2, a.)

d. East China Bureau

Headquarters: Probably Shanghai.

Secretaries: JAO Shu-shih (饒漱石) and CHEN I.

Area of responsibility: the district under the control of the East China Military and Political Commission, i.e., the provinces of Shantung, Kiangsu, Anhwei, Chekiang, and Fukien, and the island of Taiwan.

e. Central and South China Bureau

Headquarters: Hankow.

1st secretary: LIN Piao.

2nd secretary: LO Jung-huan.

3rd secretary: TENG Tsu-hui.

A South China Sub-Bureau exists for the provinces of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

Headquarters: probably Canton.

1st secretary: YEH Chien-ying.

2nd secretary: CHANG Yun-i.

3rd secretary: FANG Fang.

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